

**WASHINGTON, DC** - U.S. Congressman Mike Pence made the following statement today at the White House after [meeting](#) with the President and other Congressional leaders about the economy:

**"House Republicans welcome the opportunity to sit down with the President and our colleagues in the House and Senate and discuss how we can get this economy moving again. But after examining the policies of this administration and the Democratic Congress over the last year, it's clear this administration just doesn't get it.**

**"The truth is, the American people know we can't borrow and spend and bail our way back to a growing economy. Yesterday, the President said that we might have to 'spend our way out of recession.' I personally urged the President to emulate what families are doing around kitchen tables in Muncie, Indiana, during these difficult economic times. They're cutting back on spending. They're getting a second job and looking for more revenue. And I urged him, along with my colleagues, to take the same approach. The American people know what it takes to get this economy moving again and that's fiscal discipline here in Washington, D.C. and fast-acting tax relief for working families, small businesses and family farms.**

**"But we welcomed the opportunity to convey those ideas in detail to the President today and we hope the President, we hope his administration, is listening. Clearly, the approach the Democratic Congress and this administration have taken to this economy has failed. It's time for new ideas and Republicans presented detailed proposals for fiscal discipline and tax relief to the President today."**